

Chancellor of A...A...
3 Great James Street,
Bedford Row, W.C.
London, Eng.

Dear Sir:-,

Replying to your communication of November the 27th., inst., I beg to enclose a copy of a communication received from your American representative, also to venture some information which may possibly put us a trifle more in touch with each other.

The letters previously mailed you, viz., September 2nd., and October 9th., were dictated by me to Fr. Plummer and sent at my request. During July and August I received three inquiries as to whether the S.R.I.A. was in any way connected with A.A. During the latter part of 1911 I received a similar inquiry. I had observed in the "Equinox" a paragraph directing inquirers to "Chancellor of A...A..." and for the purpose of being able to direct rightly any legitimate inquirers for the Society you represent, I wrote you for information.

In America there are many bodies claiming to be Rosicrucian. As to their varying claims we are not interested. All who honestly endeavor to carry on a work of enlightenment for Humanity receive every assistance from us that lies in our power to give. The many charlatanic bodies, we are only too anxious to see eliminated and in many cases have taken advantage of the American laws to effect such desirable end.

We make it a point in securing information regarding bodies claiming to be Rosicrucian, to establish fraternal relations and regular communications with them. In this way we are in touch with the executive Councils of many bodies of earnest workers in various parts of the World. The "Hundred Years" were up a long time ago, and the work in America necessarily has to progress along lines radically different than those followed in England or the Continent. We have to deal here with the crassest materialism and cosmopolitanism. However our work is open to whose will, and neither financial considerations nor social position bar the doors those seeking the Light.

Possibly these statements may seem un-necessary to you. They are explanatory of my reason for writing you, and, should it appeal to you, the stepping stones to a possible establishment of fraternal relations between the two organizations. The S.R.I.A. with its subordinate Colleges and High Council are incorporated under the laws of the State of New York with national jurisdiction, in this country.

The copy of letter received from your Mrs. Gremer I submit as an evidence that altho I wrote for information, I have not as yet received any.

The zeal of that lady is most estimable and her invitation to "go in" to the A...A...most cordial, but she omits one important factor--an address or definite information of any kind. So any knowledge I may glean of your organization will have to come via London.

Likewise the choice bit of humor in the concluding paragraph has more than a kernel of truth, but, given in reply to a legitimate inquiry, the personal application is hardly apparent.

Then again the lady offers to supply a complete set of the "Equinox" for \$40. I regret that I am unable to avail myself for the simple reason that my London representative has just sent me a complete set direct from the publishers at a total cost of \$28.00, practically the price quoted in the Equinox, Vol. 1 Number Seven.

Now my dear sir, I have no desire to force unsolicited correspondence upon you, but perhaps you will see from this letter the force of my remarks in my first letter regarding the "interest in Rosierucianism around New York". If it is agreeable to you to enter into more definite correspondence regarding the maintenance of friendly relations between the two organizations, it will give us pleasure to be entirely at your service. Otherwise I have only to thank you for the patience you have already expended on the same and to thank you and your American correspondent for the courtesy of the replies already at hand.

Meantime, believe me to be sir,

Cordially and fraternally,

S...M...

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